

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

*In re* Application of:  
Ian Alexander Shiels and David Fairlie  
  
Application Number: 10/531,560  
  
Filing Date: January 27, 2006  
  
For: TREATMENT OF OSTEOARTHRITIS

Confirmation No. 3534  
  
Group Art Unit: 1654  
  
Examiner: KHANNA, Hemant  
  
Attorney Docket No.: **38871.32**

**1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 16, 2007**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendment. A response to the Non-Final Official Action dated April 16, 2007 ("the Action"), is also submitted, and the Examiner is requested to consider the remarks and enter them therein. Applicants believe that the present materials place the claims in condition for initial examination on the merits and consideration of the amendment and remarks herein is respectfully requested.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of Three Months, to and including October 16, is included herewith to render the amendment and response timely submitted.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this submission.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which appears on pages 12 to 37 of this submission.

**Remarks/Arguments** can be found beginning on page 38 of the present submission.

Should any additional fees be deemed necessary for any reason in connection with the present submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any necessary amounts from Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 38871.32.